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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS: DEVELOPMENTS DURING DECEMBER IN VENEZUELA

1. DECEMBER 13 PRESS REVIEW OF PLATFORM OF VICTORIOUS
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE CARLOS ANDRES PEREZ INCLUDED
APPROACHES NEW ADMINISTRATION WILL TAKE ON NARCOTIC
PROBLEMS. IT WILL DEVELOP PEOPLE IN THE FIELDS OF EDUCATION,
SOCIAL SERVICES AND SPECIAL POLICE TO COMBAT DRUG ABUSE.
IT WILL IMPROVE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT PROGRAMS IN
SPECIALIZED CENTERS. LAWS WILL BE TIGHTENED AGAINST
TRAFFICERS, AND ADDICTS WILL BE PUT UNDER COMPULSORY
TREATMENT.

2. THE COLOMBIA-VENEZUELA BORDER CONTINUED TO BE AN ACTIVE
NARCOTICS SMUGGLING AREA, WITH NEWLY ACQUIRED INTELLIGENCE
SHOWING THAT CONSIDERABLE MARIHUANA AND COCAINE ENTERING
FROM COLOMBIA IS EXITING VENEZUELA FOR THE U.S. THROUGH
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THE VALENCIA/PUERTO CABELLO AREA.

3. SEVERAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS OF NARCOTICS TRAFFICKERS PROCEEDED TOWARD RESOLUTION, AND WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF VENEZUELAN INTERPOL AUTHORITIES, THE CARACAS DEA OFFICE SECURED THE ARREST AND EXPULSION TO PUERTO RICO OF ONE NARCOTICS FUGITIVE.

4. THE CARACAS DEA OFFICE ASSISTED THE VENEZUELAN TECHNICAL JUDICIAL POLICE IN IDENTIFYING ANOTHER NARCOTICS FUGITIVE, AND IN HELPING WITH DOCUMENTATION WHICH WILL BE USED AGAINST THE ACCUSED IN VENEZUELAN COURTS.

5. FOUR PARTICIPANTS WERE PROCESSED TO ATTEND THE INTERNATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY'S MANAGEMENT/NARCOTICS ORIENTATION COURSE NO. 6.
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